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HISTORICAL.

Cleanings Here, There
and Everywhere,
But Mostly In Oxford County

BY LEONARD B. CHAPMAN.

THE NAME OF YORK.

(Continued from October 31.)
It is evident from the records that John York's first purchase of real estate in Bethel (leaving out now allusions to Sudbury Canada as contained in the records of the land office) was Intervale lot No. 13, located on the south side of the Androscoggin river, purchased January 2, 1770, and January 13, of the same year adjoining Intervale lots numbered 11 and 12, making him three lots adjacent the river, to which wild rag he, with his family, immediately moved. Peter, his son, according to family tradition and manuscript records of an imperfect character, however, was two years old, who was born December 10, 1777, two children having been born before this date and four after Peter's advent—seven in all—his arriving to mature age—no account of Jonathan having been obtained. The prospect must have been gloomy and the luxuries of life very scarce—wild animals for companionship, but few or no visits from the light sunbeams on account of the tall trees. The mind seems insufficient to grasp the real situation of that time in the eastern part of Bethel a hundred and thirty years ago.

Upon the grave memorial slab—to which allusion has been made—of Col. John York, a record appears which tells a little light upon the genealogical situation which is as follows:

ABIGAIL,
His Wife,
Died 1827.
Aged 75 years.

This shows she was born in the year of 1742. And, her oldest child, was born Feb. 11, 1774, who became the wife of John Kilgore, Jr., and the mother of thirteen children. They resided at Middle Intervale in Bethel. He was prominent in town matters, serving as selectman repeatedly, and as a Representative to the Massachusetts General Court in 1811. Their daughter Sally, born March 10, 1790, became the wife of John York, who was the son of Isaac John York, a son of the Colonel, it is claimed, this name appearing as it does upon the meagre records sometimes as Isaac, then as Isaac I. and Isaac Haley. This is a great obstacle in the course of obtaining of reliable data pertaining to the York name. To this day John York I will shortly refer.

Admitting the dates appearing upon the grave memorial of Col. John York's wife and that of the birth of her daughter, Ann, who became the wife of John Kilgore, Jr., to be correct, she was about 23 years of age when she arrived at their wilderness home in the eastern part of Bethel.

I have stated in a former article that on January 12, 1770, that Col. John York, then a resident of Standish, received from Peter Asten of Standish a title to Intervale lots numbered eleven and twelve adjoining each other. And the history of the title, evidently without having been that Col. York settled upon the lots.

What was the manuscript record of the title?

The year of 1741 Col. John York married to Isaac Haley York's title to Intervale lots numbered thirteen, fourteen and fifteen, an abstract of the writing reads as follows:

In consideration that Isaac Haley York resided at Standish, Maine, and that the Yorks of Standish were from that locality to Pearson's (then to Bethel,) having served with me in the late date of these wars, I do hereby acknowledge that I have and convey Intervale lots numbered thirteen, fourteen and fifteen located upon the south side of the Androscoggin river, a part of which I reserve, which were his half sibs a small brook, called "John York's".

What was a portion. What was the reservation? The history of Bethel is a brother to Col. John York's name as a title makes a portion of a title.

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GOV.-ELECT HAINES SPOKE AT FRUIT SHOW.

At the opening session of the Maine Pomological society in Portland, Tuesday afternoon, Governor-elect Haines spoke, advocating the erection of cold storage houses in which to keep the apples until there is a demand for them.

Another speaker was Prof. W. L. Stephens of the college of agriculture at the University of Maine, his subject being that of agricultural credit plans. Addresses of welcome were given by Mayor Oakley C. Curtis for the city, and Charles M. Flagg, president of the Board of Trade, for that body, and the response was by Dr. George M. Twitcheell of Auburn. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Henry F. Klonan, rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal church. The session was largely attended and it looked as though big crowds would be present in City Hall during the three days that the show is in progress. A decidedly pleasing feature Tuesday was the organ recital by Prof. Will C. MacFarlane, the city organist.

Those of our readers interested in orcharding will doubtless be interested in the following extracts taken from the speech.

Mr. Haines at the beginning of his address said that nothing he could say in the interests of agriculture in Maine would be half so eloquent or convincing as this splendid exhibit in the city of Portland. He had for a long time been interested in Maine farming and particularly interested in Maine orcharding, and he wished that all who raised apples might see the display, as there was nothing like an object lesson. The influence of this exhibit would be largely felt throughout the State. The speaker then proceeded to give some statistics bearing on agriculture in Maine which were taken from the figures of the last census. In 1910 there were 46,916 farms in the State and these contained six and one-half millions of acres, an average of 105 acres to the farm. This showed an increase in the number of farms of 717 over that of 1900, yet there was a decrease in the average. The value of the farming property, including all agricultural implements, in 1910 was \$200,000,000, in increase of \$17,000,000 since 1900. The average value was \$3320, an increase of 60 per cent. Still with all this showing there were some things in 1910 that were not so encouraging as one could wish. For instance the improved land consisted of only about 2,300,000 acres, not so much as in 1900 by 124,000 acres.

Referring to the population of the State, Mr. Haines said that it was about evenly divided between the urban and rural sections, and he had given these figures to impress upon the minds of his hearers the importance of Maine agriculture.

The census for 1910 showed that two to Maine orcharding, said Mr. Haines, that over 42,000 farms have three and one-half millions of apple trees in bearing, and there is a total of four and a half millions of trees. The value of the crop in 1910 was two and one-fourth millions of dollars and there were produced three and a half millions of bushels.

The past few years had demonstrated the practicability of cultivating an orchard as one would an acre of corn, and the statistics demonstrated that fact that we can grow the fruit of any place in the world. The State of Maine had the advantage of that cannot be denied and it was the State's duty to develop it. Mr. Haines said that one value in a farm (the second three-quarters of the farm) and the other three-quarters of the farm was the State of Washington was trying to raise the apple that would be needed. While Washington had grown a great many apples, no state could produce fruit of such fine flavor and keeping qualities as Maine.

Maine, he said, is likely in the next few years to become a great producer of apples, and there arises the question of marketing—to whom shall we sell, when, and what shall we sell? This depends on three things, the quality of the apple, the picking and the handling. The old method of handling used to be to place the apples in bins in damp cellars and keep them there until a fair price could be obtained, but that period is past. A good many houses now have cellars and the dry cellars are not conducive to preservation of the fruit. One of

RALLY DAY A BIG SUCCESS.

Those who attended the rally day exercises at the Congregational church in Bethel last Sunday were enthusiastic in their praise of the program, which was in charge of the Superintendent, Mrs. W. C. Curtis.

The decorations were in charge of Mrs. A. E. Herrick and Mr. A. Van Don Kerckhoven and consisted of a large center piece of yellow and white chrysanthemums with bouquets of white carnations on either side, while evergreen was used in profusion. The Sunday school is very grateful for their kindness in decorating.

After the call to worship and prayer a selection by Herrick's orchestra was listened to with a great deal of pleasure. The cheerfulness with which this orchestra always responds to a local call for assistance, can but be highly appreciated.

The singing by the boys' quartet was a new feature and one that all enjoyed greatly.

The children need no introduction as they are always so winning; the exercises by Mrs. Van Don Kerckhoven and her class was exceedingly pleasing as was the song, "Jewels," by this same class later in the program. The song, "For Others," by Mrs. Bowler's and Miss Partridge's classes was much enjoyed. A well given patriotic recitation by Lawrence Kimball followed this, and Little Madeline Collinge sang a sweetly sweetly.

The recitation, "Our Flag," by Esther Tyler was most appropriate, and immediately following this was the salute of the flag by the school and the singing of the hymn, "The Star-Spangled Banner."

After another selection by the orchestra Miss Lucia Wood read an extract from Les Miserables and "If I Had the Time," in a most charming manner. A beautiful solo by Mrs. L. H. Wright was the next number on the program.

Prof. E. E. Hanson, in his ever pleasing way, spoke for a short time on "Character Building." While this was more especially for the younger people, each and every one present must have received inspiration and help from his address.

The mottoes for the coming year were given by the different classes and the names on the cradle roll were read by Mrs. Curtis. The exercises closed with the singing of "God be with you" and benediction by the pastor.

The sermon at the Congregational church next Sunday, Nov. 17, will be "Patience," treating especially of what Christian patriotism has done, is doing and purposes to do for our loved land. Music appropriate to the occasion.

SILVER MILESTONE.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Young of Bethel observed at their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary last Tuesday evening. It was their intention to have any recognition made of the occasion but some of their good friends of the East Coast star got in some way, and a result, Mr. and Mrs. Young were presented with a silver game carrying set.

The ladies gave their many friends an extending congratulations and wishing them a happy journey to their new abode.

The most important question before the people of the State of Maine is that of a plan to keep apples in the State. There is a plan for this. In large cities in the West the apples are packed in storage in Maine where there is no question of shipping at the time of the early fall days, and then take it to the market. There ought to be some similar system of handling the apples in Maine. In Arcostook among the potato growers have storerooms and are thereby enabled to secure better prices for their produce. The solution of the problem of the apple grower, Mr. Haines said, was very simple. The farmers should select suitable areas for lots of land near railroad stations, or where the apples can be built, and on these they should erect cold storage houses.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of Bethel Lodge, No. 27, F. & A. M. will be held this Thursday evening. There will be work in the third degree.

A LETTER FROM SEATTLE, WASH.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 23, 1912.

Dear Editor:—It may be that some of your readers had the privilege of visiting Seattle and the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition in 1909. Many more did not, and those may be interested to read something about this remarkable city.

Frances E. Willard, more than forty years ago, said of Seattle people: "The men here walk with such confidence, they put their feet down differently from men in other places." The fact is, they have had to walk differently, on account of the steep grades of the streets.

Seattle is built on more hills than ancient Rome, but these hills are melting away, and the earth is being carried to the sea in the reshaping of the city. Buildings are seen peering like arches as their foundations are washed from under them by giant hydraulic hoses, while others find the streets on a level with their second and even third story windows. Not a cubic yard of the hills has been wasted, however, for the wash from the regrades has been used in filling in the tide flats.

Another great enterprise, not yet completed, is the Lake Washington tunnel which will give to Seattle twenty-five miles of fresh water harbor line, making her one of the finest cities in the world.

Yet another is the Duwamish River tunnel at South Seattle. This canal will be four and one-half miles long, giving to the city thirty-two miles of fresh water harbor, by using the heads of the crooked Duwamish River as ships for smaller boats, while the main channel will accommodate the largest sea-going vessels.

Seattle takes great pride in her system of parks and playgrounds, which already cover an area of nearly eight hundred acres. Volunteer Park occupies a prominent position, and from the top of the water tower there, one can get a sweeping view of nearly the whole city and its circle of snow-capped mountains. Here too is the bronze statue of William H. Seward, the unveiling of which was one of the most impressive events of the Exposition.

The most wonderful of, perhaps, Duwamish Park covering about sixty acres and where a little of the primordial forest still holds sway. Here are trees measuring from twenty-five to forty feet in circumference and three hundred feet in height. One of the largest of these, called Colonel Roosevelt, was, some months ago, condemned to be cut down as its condition was considered such as to be a menace to visitors, but as yet no attempt has been made to destroy it. A small stream winds its way through this park and as one follows along its banks, through centuries old forests, it is hard to believe that one is in the limits of a city of more than 200,000 inhabitants.

Longer than Haverhill, and equally interesting in a different way, is Duwamish Park which contains many acres. A part of this park is devoted to a playground, and here is a large and comfortable hotel.

Longer Park is on the shore of Duwamish Bay and commands an extensive view of the whole bay and of the city by islands.

There are other parks, about thirty in all, each with its own special features. The playgrounds of Seattle are worthy of mention, and also the system of boulevards fifty miles long, skirting the lakes and on a level with an ever changing panorama, and the least of the attractions of the city.

After all what one hears to the effect that Seattle is the moon town. These are truly worth a trip across the continent to see. Looking toward the east we see the large, dense forests with Mt. Baker, the most majestic of the highest peaks in the west, the jagged, snow-capped, the crown of the Smith range, the mountain of the American continent, a summit wrapped in eternal snow, while down its sides course a dozen glaciers.

How do American tourists go to Europe and save over the picturesque, scenic and majestic grandeur of the Alps while in our own country are grander and more inspiring scenes than any to be found in the old

BISBEE-ADAMS.

Delightfully charming in its simplicity was the wedding of two of Canton's most estimable young people, Dwight Arland Bisbee and Jennie Mildred Adams, Wednesday, Nov. 6th, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Adams of Canton Point. The ceremony was performed at high noon by Rev. Francis H. Enslin of Canton, the single ring service being used. Little Ruth Bisbee, a sister of the groom, was ring bearer. The couple were unattended and only the immediate families were present.

The bride was becomingly gowned in white muslin and carried a large bouquet of pinks. Following the ceremony a bountiful wedding dinner was served, covers being laid for sixteen.

The home was beautifully decorated for the occasion with evergreens and ferns. The bridal pair went to their new home on the old Bisbee homestead where Mr. Bisbee is in partnership with his brother, Eldon Bisbee.

Mrs. Bisbee is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Adams and a graduate of Canton High School. Mr. Bisbee is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bisbee and an enterprising young farmer. The couple are both active members of Canton Grange.

They were the recipients of many wedding gifts, including silver, china and linen.

On the occasion of this marriage three birthdays in the family were celebrated at the same time, that of the bride, E. L. Bisbee and Miss Marie Bisbee, father and sister of the groom.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Mary E. Bowler entertained six little friends last Saturday afternoon from two until four, as it was the 6th anniversary of her birthday.

Games were played and refreshments of sandwiches, cocoa, cake and ice cream were served. Merrily indeed did the little folks enter into the pastimes, if one can judge from the laughter and the spirit of fun which filled the house. Those present were Margaret and Dorothy Hanson, Robert Hanson, Guy Thurston, Jr., Madeline Goodridge and Grace Van.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

A happy birthday party was given by Baby Sashen and baby King for their little friends on Friday afternoon from four until six o'clock. Games were played, and at the table the surprise package packages furnished much amusement and the two large birthday cakes were enjoyed by all.

The children brought dear little gifts which were much appreciated by Baby and King.

MASQUERADE BALL AT WEST BETHEL.

The Masquerade Ball which was held at the Grange Hall last Thursday evening was a decided success, both socially and financially. About sixty couples took part in the masquerade. The costumes were fine, especially those of the ladies, and the music was excellent. The evening was a most enjoyable one, and the ladies were all that could be desired. The big masquerade ball, King, Queen, and the other guests were all that could be desired. The big masquerade ball, King, Queen, and the other guests were all that could be desired.

The ladies who the state as men, were then as was also the girl dressed in Old Glory, and numerous other costumes called forth appreciation.

The oyster supper which was served in the dining room was much enjoyed by all who partook, which was about one hundred and thirty.

There will be another dance at the Hall, Nov. 23. All are cordially invited to come.

until Hester is a thousand feet higher than the Jungfrau, and Koroan toulous have said that if Mt. Hester were in Europe, it would have been heavily capitalized years and years ago, while billions would already have been raised from the pockets of awestricken Americans. Who can tell how much of inspiration and of renewed courage the pleaser seller may have received from these rugged, grand old mountains! Truly he could say: "I lift mine eyes to the hills where cometh my strength."

M. E. M.

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FOR SALE—(See first page)

Excellent condition. Inquire of ALICE G. MAJORS, Vernon St., Bethel, Me. 11-14-12.

OXFORD COUNCIL HELD SPECIAL MEETING.

Oxford Council, Nov. 14, held a special meeting and conferred degrees on fourteen candidates at Masonic Hall, Bethel, Tuesday evening. A special train carrying about 125 left Norway at 6:15 arriving in Bethel at 7:20, making about 100 present in all. Refreshments were served during the evening. A most enjoyable time is reported.

Hester: "And does your mother allow you to have two pieces of pie when you are at home, Willie?" Willie: "No, ma'am."

Hester: "Well, do you think she would like you to have two pieces here?" Willie: "Confidentially." "Oh, she wouldn't care. This isn't her pie."

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such as Japanese and Russian Mink, Great Cat, Coy and Raccoon made up in muffs and fancy neck pieces at prices within the reach of all.

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NORWAY,

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WEST BETHEL

Hyde Vashaw, who shot his foot is able to be out on crutches.

Arthur Brown and wife who have been here on a visit to Mrs. Brown's parents, Nathan Brothers and wife, returned home Sunday.

Mrs. T. W. Vashaw and children, Franklin and Elvira have gone to town for the winter. Mr. Handy McLean and wife have gone also.

E. H. Shuster is stopping with his daughter Mrs. W. W. Goodridge.

Joseph Russell has returned from Fall River, Mass., where he has been on a visit to his brother who has been out there for thirty five years. He also acted as a seaman in Providence, R. I.

Mrs. Clara Allen is able to be out again.

Mrs. Beulah Allen has returned to her home in Cumberland after a few weeks' visit to friends in this village. Forrest Jordan has gone to Littleton, N. H.

Mr. Elmer Lyon has been stopping at Mr. Presley's camp on account of a tooth. Last week Mrs. Lyon came to visit him for a few days, and while here she shot a fine deer.

There will be a school entertainment at the Orange Hall, Friday evening.

A serial top after the entertainment. G. M. Bennett of Littleton, N. H., is visiting friends in town.

Elmer Allen shot a fine deer one day last week.

John McLean has finished work for Will Bennett.

Johnson Haskell called on friends in this village Sunday.

UPTON

Mrs. Clifford Littlehale of Newry has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mattie Lane.

P. H. Ellingwood has finished work at Metairie Island.

Mr. Adam Clark and his sons, Harry and Claude, also George Pratt have returned from their hunting at Forest Lodge.

Mrs. L. A. West has sold her home to Henry Egan.

Mr. Webb has moved his family to Andover where he has bought a house.

Mrs. Brown has moved into the woods in Gratton where her husband is working.

The entertainment given by the school children Nov. 8th was well attended.



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BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Judge A. E. Herrick attended court at Bangor this week.

Elmer Jordan spent Sunday with his parents.

E. C. Bowler and N. B. Springer were in Bangor, Tuesday.

Mr. Owen Donnell of Riley Plantation was in town recently.

Mrs. Addie E. Wentworth was in Bethel, Monday and Tuesday.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Hiram Bean, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. H. S. Pugh was in Lewiston one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Thurston went to Richardson Pond last Thursday, where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. Ruth Poole and little son have returned from their visit in Massachusetts.

Quite a crowd from here attended the dance at Bryant's Pond, Saturday night.

Miss Alice Kimball spent Saturday at East Bethel the guest of Miss Eva Bean.

Mrs. Sarah Russell and daughter, Cleo, have moved into Mr. G. L. Thurston's rent.

Isabel Colburn is visiting his daughter in Bangor and Portland for a few days.

Mrs. Viola Potter and son, Earl, of Skowhegan are visiting her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Duxon.

Mrs. Nell Phelps of Milan, N. H., has recently visited her sister, Mrs. P. L. Edwards.

Mrs. Mary Darling of Middle Intervale has been calling on relatives and friends in this village.

Mrs. E. A. Chase of Bluehill is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Herrick.

Mrs. J. M. Philbrook has returned from So. Portland where she visited her daughter, Mrs. P. J. Brown.

Saturday, Mr. Charles Wheeler and Miss Mina O'Brien were married by Rev. R. P. Fickett.

Monday, Mrs. Boncher of Groveton visited her son, Herbert, who is night operator at the G. T. station.

Mr. and Mrs. George Greene of Berlin, N. H., recently visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bartlett.

Mrs. Rufus Rice has returned to her home in Headfield, having visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bartlett.

The Ladies' Circle will serve a chicken pie supper at the Universalist chapel, Thursday, Nov. 21.

Mr. Herbert Boncher returned with his mother as far as Berlin, N. H., and was the guest of relatives, returning to Bethel, Monday P. M.

Rev. J. H. Little was called to Locke's Mills, Wednesday, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Nelson Lapham of West Paris, Service in the Union church.

Miss Mathel Packard went to Portland, Sunday, with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wernell, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis.

The large number of small photographs seen about town of late indicate that Bethel people have become desirous of seeing themselves as others see them, and, pleasing to note, most of them are found smiling.

The serial at Graveland chapel last Thursday evening was well attended and enjoyable. A program consisting of vocal and instrumental music, readings, games, etc., was given. Home-made candies were served.

Mrs. D. A. Ball of West Paris, Sec. of the State Sunday School Association, and District Sup't, was at the Universalist church last Sunday and gave a very interesting talk at the morning service, and also in the Sunday school.

At the regular meeting of the East Bethel Star last week, the friends of Mrs. Elsie Philbrook, who will soon go to Florida, wishing to express their friendship and regretting her departure, presented her with a silver banner bearing the text of some of the State of Maine.

Mr. G. L. Thurston was in Andover one day last week.

Frank Bennett from North Newry was at Lee Vail's, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rowe are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born Tuesday afternoon.

Representative-elect E. C. Bowler attended the meeting of the Progressive State Committee in Bangor, Wednesday.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Anthon Brown will be saddened to hear of the death of their only child, Miss Ethel Brown, at the home of her parents at Grand Rapids, Mich. Miss Brown was in Bethel two years ago and although in delicate health then her friends were hopeful of her recovery. Much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved parents.

The friends of Mr. Fred Chapman will be sorry to learn of his accident which occurred Tuesday forenoon. Mr. Chapman was driving into Mrs. Olive Grover's barn with a load of hay. He discovered that the door was not high enough to admit the load without hitting him, but not until it was too late to prevent the accident. It is reported that no bones were broken but he sustained very painful injuries.

LOOKER'S MILLS.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tirrell and son Louis are enjoying a week's vacation with relatives at Canton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Raul entertained Mrs. Raul's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Howe, of Hanover the week end.

Miss Mary Dresser is spending a week's vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dresser at Waterford.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Titus of Portland visited Mr. Titus' sister, Mrs. Frank Hathorn recently.

Harold Crocker has gone to South Paris where he has employment in the steel factory.

Miss Lillian Jordan went to her home in Colebrook, N. H., Saturday, for a week's vacation.

Mrs. Ruth Young and daughter Mrs. George Woodman visited friends in West Paris, Tuesday.

The high and grammar schools gave an entertainment, Friday evening at the Hotel Hall. Dialogues, recitations and singing were enjoyed. Ice cream and candy were on sale. Games were played after the entertainment. The school cleared ten dollars.

Mrs. George Stowell of Wakefield, Mass., is visiting her mother, Mrs. O. W. Willey.

Mrs. Walter Swift visited her sister, Mrs. Carroll Brewster, at Auburn the week end.

EAST BETHEL.

Miss Alice Kimball was the week end guest of her friend Miss Eva Bean.

Mrs. Everett Mitchell and little daughter of Hanover have been guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Swan, the past week.

Mrs. H. E. Bartlett is spending this week at Bangor Falls the guest of her daughter Mrs. H. E. Lyon.

Mr. J. E. Field of South Paris was a recent guest of his sister, Mrs. G. K. Hastings and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Jones have returned and opened their home here.

The young people enjoyed a surprise party and entertained Mr. O. B. Farwell at his home here Saturday evening, Nov. 9, it being his birthday. The evening passed very pleasantly with whist and music. Light refreshments were served.

Miss J. A. Roberts of Norway was at E. W. Bartlett's on business the past week.

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The terrible test of some great emergency, however, makes clear life's true values. The greatest success that can be attained, the largest fortunes that can be attained, the highest station that can be achieved are as nothing in the closing hours of a man's life. Then it is that he scrutinizes his part for the least vestige of personal good which he has wrought, and it is that memory alone which is worth anything at all to him.

He cannot derive much comfort from the wealth he has accumulated, or the social distinction he has attained, but he can and does rely for his eternal reward upon the unselfish and simple service he has rendered for the welfare of others. The life upon which we place so high a value must end some time, sooner perhaps than we imagine. We must build for the future, indeed, not blindly, not selfishly, not brutally, but in that spirit of brave fellowship which measures up to every emergency.

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ARMAGEDDON OF THE SCRIPTURES

Startling Presentation of Coming Events.

PASTOR RUSSELL'S VIEWS.

Churches of All Denominations and the Civil Powers of Earth Are About to Unite in Common Cause—Powerful Influence Preparing for the Battle of Armageddon—A Reign of Anarchy Will Be the Result of the Warfare Until The Messiah Takes Control.



Brooklyn, N. Y., Nov. 3.—The Brooklyn Academy of Music was crowded to the limit today to hear Pastor Russell's discourse on the "Battle of Armageddon." His text was: "He gathered them together unto a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon."

(Revelation xvi, 16.)

The speaker said: Armageddon in the Hebrew signifies the "Hill of Megiddo," or Mount of Destruction. It was famous as a battlefield in Old Testament times.

The Lord has seen fit to associate the name Armageddon with the great controversy between Truth and Error, right and wrong, God and Mammon, with which this age will close, perish, and the New Age of Messiah's glory be ushered in. He has purposely used highly symbolical figures of speech in the last book of the Bible, evidently with a view to hiding certain important truths until the due time for their revelation. But even in the due time, the Bible assures us, "None of the wicked shall understand" (Daniel xii, 10)—none who are out of heart harmony with God—only the wise of His people—the "wise virgin" class of the Master's parable.

I have long avoided presentation of my understanding of our text and its context. I take it up now by request and because I believe it is due time to be understood. I disclaim any special inspiration. In some particulars my views agree with those of other Bible students, and in other respects they disagree. Each hearer must use his own judgment, do his own Bible study, and reach his own conclusions.

Kindly remember that I am not responsible for the figures of speech used by the Lord. My interpretations do indeed constitute a terrible arraignment of institutions which we have all revered and which embrace good people, of good words and good works. God's saintly people in these various institutions, being comparatively few, are ignored when systems as a whole are dealt with in prophecy.

The Dragon, Beast, False Prophet.

Our context tells us that three impure spirits (teachings) will go forth from the mouths of the Dragon, the Beast and the False Prophet, and these three will be in accord, and symbolically the doctrine are represented by "frogs." These three doctrines are to have a mighty influence throughout the civilized earth. They are to gather the kings and their armies to the great Battle of Armageddon.

The ecclesiastical kings and princes, and their retainers of clergy and faithful adherents, will be gathered in solid phalanx—Protestant and Catholic. The kings and captains of industry, and as many as can be influenced by them, will be gathered to the same side. The political kings and princes, with all their henchmen and retainers, will follow in line on the same side. The financial kings and merchant princes, and all whom they can influence by the most gigantic power ever yet exercised in the world, will join the same side, according to this prophecy.

These "doctrines of demons," represented by the "frogs," will lead many noble people in this great army to assume an attitude quite contrary to their preference. For a time the wheels of liberty and progress will be turned backward and medieval restraints will be considered necessary for self-preservation—for the maintenance of the present order of things.

In giving this interpretation, it is necessary for us to indicate what is symbolized by the Dragon, the Beast, and the False Prophet. Bible students of nearly all denominations agree with us that the "Dragon" of Revelation represents the purely Civil Power, Protestant interpreters generally agree that the "Beast like a leopard" (Revelation xii, 3) represents the Papacy. But fewer still, we fear, will be ready to support our view that Protestantism is the "Image of the Beast" (Revelation xii, 18) in our context given another name, "the False Prophet." We urge no one to accept our interpretation, nor shall we think hard of any who refuse it. We will neither slander nor otherwise injure them now, nor threaten them with eternal torture. They save the same right to their views that I have, and the same right to make them known to others. And I, for one, will be very glad to consider anything which opponents may set forth as their interpretations of our text.

"Unseen Spirits Like Frogs."

The symbols of Scripture, rightly understood, are always forceful. When the Holy Spirit used a "frog" to symbolically represent certain

doctrines or teachings, we may be sure the true application will fit well. A frog has a sage look, a wise look. It swells itself up in an apparent endeavor to impress the beholder. Its great mouth well represents its chief power, used to croak.

Applying these symbols, we learn that an evil spirit, influence, teaching, will come from the Protestant churches federated, from the Church of Rome, and from the Civil authorities, all in full agreement. The spirit of all will be boastful: an air of superior wisdom and knowledge will be proudly assumed—all will croak in harmony. All will tell of dire results that would follow, involving the interests of both the present and the future life. If their counsel be not followed, however, consulting the creeds, the differences will be ignored in the general proposition that nothing ancient must be disturbed, or looked into, or repudiated.

The Divine authority of the Church, and the Divine right of kings, aside from the Church, will not be allowed to conflict. Any persons or teachings in conflict with these boastful and unscriptural claims will be branded as "frogs" speaking from pulpits and platforms and through the religious and secular press. The nobler sentiments of some will be strangled by the philosophy of the same evil spirit which spoke through Calphurn, the high priest, respecting Jesus. As Calphurn declared it expedient to commit a crime in violation of justice, human and Divine, to be rid of Jesus and His teachings, so this "frog" spirit will approve of every violation of principle necessary to their self-protection.

The croaking of these "frog" spirits or doctrines will gather the kings and princes, financial, political, religious and industrial into one great army. The spirit of fear, inspired by the croakings of these "frogs," will scourge the passions of otherwise good and reasonable men to fury, desperation. In their blind following of these evil spirits, evil doctrines, they will be ready to sacrifice life and everything on the altar of what they mistakenly suppose is justice, truth and righteousness, under a Divine arrangement.

For a brief time, as we understand the Scriptures, these combined forces of Armageddon will triumph. Free speech, free mails, and other liberties which have come to be the very breath of the masses in our day, will be ruthlessly shut off under the plea of necessity, the glory of God, the commands of the Church, etc. All will seem to be serene, until the great social explosion in our context described as the "great earthquake." An "earthquake," a symbolic language, signifies social revolution, and the declaration of the context is that none like unto it ever before occurred. (Revelation xvi, 18, 19.) Jesus described it as a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation.—Matthew xxiv, 21.

The Lord Will Gather Them.

The false, frog-like teachings will gather together into one host the great, the rich, the wise, the learned and the kings of the earth, to battle. At this juncture Divine Power will step forth, and our text tells us that *He* shall gather the marshaled hosts to Armageddon—to the Mountain of Destruction. The very thing which they sought to avert by their union, federation, etc., will be the very thing they will hasten. Other Scriptures tell us that God will be represented by the Great Messiah, and that He will be on the side of the masses. Thus we read in Daniel xii, 1: "At that time shall Michael (the Godlike One—Messiah) stand up"—assume authority. He will take possession of His Kingdom in a manner little looked for by many of those who erroneously have been claiming that they were His Kingdom, and authorized by Him to reign in His name and in His stead.

Jesus declared, "His servants ye are unto whom ye render service." Some may be rendering service to Satan and to error, who claim to be rendering service to God and to righteousness; and some of these may be serving ignorantly, as did Saul of Tarsus, who "verily thought that he did God a service" in persecuting the Church. The same principle holds true reversely. As an earthly king does not hold himself responsible for the moral character of each soldier who fights in his battles, so the Lord does not vouch for the moral character of all who will enlist and fight on His side of any question. "His servants ye are to whom they render service," whatever the motive or object prompting them.

The same principles will apply in the coming Battle of Armageddon. God's side of that battle will be the people's side, and the very nondescript host, the people, will be pitted at the beginning of the battle. Anarchists, Socialists, and hot-headed radicals of every school of reason and reason, will be in the forefront of that battle. The majority of the poor and the middle class prefer peace at almost any price. A comparatively small number, God's consecrated people, will at heart be longing for Messiah's Kingdom. These will bide the Lord's time and wait patiently for it; they will be of good courage, knowing the outcome outlined in the "more sure word of prophecy," to which they have done well to take heed, "as unto a light shining in a dark place until the Day dawn."—1 Peter i, 19.

The masses will be restless of their restraints, but will be conscious of their own weakness as compared to the kings and princes, financial, religious and political, which will then held away. Besides, the masses have no sympathy with anarchy. They realize that the worst form of government is better than none. The masses will seek relief through the ballot and peaceful re-adjustment of earth's affairs for the elimination of evil, for

the placing of monopolies and utilities and the supplies of nature in the hands of the people for the public good. The crisis will be reached when the hitherto upholders of law shall become violators of the law and resistors of the will of the majority as expressed by the ballot. Fear for the future will lead the well-meaning masses to desperation; and anarchy will result when Socialism fails.

The Cloud's Silver Lining.

Horrible would be this outlook for the future did we not have the infallible Word of God assuring us of a glorious outcome. Divine Wisdom has withheld until our day the great knowledge and skill which is at the same time breeding millionaires and discontents. Had God lifted the veil a thousand years sooner, the world would have lined up for its Armageddon a thousand years sooner. But that would have been too soon for the Divine purpose, because Messiah's Kingdom is to be the great Thousand-Year-Sabbath of the world's history. God in kindness veiled our eyes until the time when the gathering to Armageddon would immediately precede Messiah's taking to Himself His great power, and beginning His reign.—Revelation xii, 17, 18.

"Send Them Strong Delusions."

St. Paul wrote prophetically of our time that it would be one of serious trial and testing to many professing to be Christians. The reason for this he states: "they received not the Truth in the love of it." (1 Thessalonians ii, 10, 11.) They preferred their own erroneous theories, the Apostle explains, and therefore God will give them over to a "strong delusion," and let them believe the lie which they preferred, and let them suffer for missing the Truth which they did not love. Thus they will be in the condemned host, "fighting against God," because of their lack of love for the Truth.

It is sad to say that we all as Christians have been laboring under a thorough delusion respecting God's Plan. We have claimed that Christ set up His Church in Kingdom power, and that the Church has been reigning on the earth as His representative. On the strength of this delusion, Jews and heretics have been persecuted to death as opponents to Christ's Kingdom. All the while we thoughtlessly repeated the Lord's prayer: "Thy Kingdom come! Thy will be done on earth, as in Heaven." We knew that the Redeemer said that He would come again to make us His Bride and joint-heirs; but we ignored the Scriptures. We were drunk, as the Scriptures symbolically say, "all nations were drunk" with the false doctrine. It is this false doctrine that will constitute the "frog" spirit which soon will begin to croak and to prepare for Armageddon.

The Bible presentation is that the world is a section of the universe in rebellion against Divine authority, under the captaincy of Satan and his associated fallen angels. By Divine grace Jesus has arisen, and the death for every man, and the merit of that sacrifice must, eventually, grant Adam and his posterity a full, fair opportunity for the attainment of everlasting life. All who thus see the Divine program and are walking in the light may know something at least respecting the "times and seasons." These brethren "are not in darkness, that that day (and that battle of Armageddon) should overtake" them "as a thief"—unaware.

Armageddon Not Yet but Soon.

For many years the Armageddon forces have been mustering for both sides of the conflict. Strikes, lockouts and riots, great and small, have been merely incidental skirmishes as the belligerent parties crossed each other's paths. Court and Army scandals in Europe, Insurance, Trust and Court scandals in America, have shaken public confidence. Dynamite plots, charged by turns on employees and on employers, have further shaken confidence and tended to make each distrust the other. Bitter and angry feelings on both sides are more and more manifest. The lines of battle are daily becoming more distinctly marked. Nevertheless Armageddon cannot yet be fought. Other matters intervene, according to prophecy.

Gentle times have still two years to run. "The Image of the Beast" of our context must yet receive life-power. The Image must be transformed from a mere mechanism to a living force. Protestant Federation realizes that its organization will still be futile unless it receives vitalization; unless its clergy directly or indirectly shall be recognized as possessed of apostolic ordination and authority to teach. This the prophecy indicates will come from the two horned beast, which, we believe, symbolically represents the Church of England. High-handed activities of Protestantism and Catholicism, operating in conjunction for the suppression of human liberties, await this vitalizing of the Image. This may come soon, but Armageddon cannot precede it, but according to our view of the Prophecy.

Still another thing intervenes: Although the Jews are gradually flowing into Palestine, gradually obtaining control of the land of Canaan, and although reports say that already nineteen millionaires are there, nevertheless prophecy requires an evidently larger number of wealthy Hebrews to be there before the Armageddon crisis be reached. Indeed we understand that "Jacob's trouble" in the Holy Land will come at the very close of Armageddon. Then Messiah's Kingdom will begin to be manifested. Thereafter Israel in the land of promise will gradually rise from the ashes of the past to the grandeur of prophecy. Through its Divinely appointed prince Messiah's Kingdom, all-powerful but invisible, will begin to roll away the curse and to lift up mankind.

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MY DADDY.

My daddy says that when he was a boy, he never cried. Nor run away from school to go "awwimmin"; never tried to cut a lickin'; never failed to do as he was bid. (Well, maybe daddy didn't, then—But gran'ma says he did!)

My daddy brags a lot about the way he acted when he was a boy. (My! but they must 'A' been most angels then!) He says he never dared to peep beneath the cake-box lid. (Well, maybe not; but, anyway, My gran'ma says he did!)

"I never tied a tin can to a dog's tail in my life!" Says daddy. "An' I never carved my initials with a knife in great big glarin' capitals On the piano lid." (That's what he told me solemnly—But gran'ma says he did!)

"I never cared for circuses. An' brass bands an' such things," (Say—honest! that's just what he said!) "An' tops and devil stings. I never waited after school to look some other kid." (He says he never does these things—But gran'ma says he did!)

Say! but my gran'ma's mighty wise. She knew my daddy when he was a little runt, and says he was a terror then! He says he never cut up none. The times he was a kid.

(I know I ought to believe him, but My gran'ma says he did!) —Leslie's Weekly.

TWISTED TALK.

Representative Washburn, toastmaster at the prologation dinner of the Legislature recently, told a story of a pastor who, coming to a new parish, got his words slightly twisted in his announcement. Said he: "I have come here to heal the dead, cast out the sick and raise the devil."

—Boston Record.

Senator Bourne was talking about a confirmed office-seeker. "His little son," said Senator Bourne, "looked up from his history lesson one night and said to his mother, 'Mother, if anything should happen to the King of England, who would be king?' 'The Prince of Wales.' 'If the Prince of Wales should die, who would be king then?' The mother hesitated. She didn't really know. Then the boy interrupted her. 'Well,' he said with a sigh, 'anyhow, I hope father won't try for it.'"

Cool in Judgment.

No judge must decide between two persons while he is angry.—Mothammed.

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Wireless in the Desert.

A valuable discovery has been made recently by Marconi in relation to the use of the wireless system in desert country and that is that the use of masts and antennae are not at all necessary for the purposes of communication. This removes one of the great obstacles to the proposition of establishing a system of airship routes over the Sahara, as it has been found a matter of some difficulty to find the way across the sandy stretch because of the absence of marks which act as guide posts. The discovery above referred to is that owing to the non-conductivity of the sand, messages may be launched to the ether from wires laid a short distance on the ground, in the direction of which it is desired to send the message. Dispensing with the pole in this manner greatly facilitates the use of the system in warfare, for the handling of the pole represents the greatest part of the weight and bulk of the outfit.

The Relic Industry.

The relic hunter is still abroad in the land, and his desire for the unique is fully met by several factories in this and other countries whose business is to supply the demand of those who will not be "satisfied until they get it." Townsfolk by the thousands are turned out in Kansas City and are sent to the Indian reservation in the west, where they are sold to tourists, especially to foreign tourists. The manufactured article is said to look more archaic than the tomahawk made by hand. There is a relic factory at Valley Forge that runs night and day at this season turning out in a continuous stream broken swords and rusty gunstocks, pepperbox pistols, corroded bullets, blood-stained knee breeches, shot-riddled haversacks and other relics dear to the tourist's heart.

Bold But Unprofitable Retort.

"I passed that woman in the second floor apartment downtown in Peabody Lane this afternoon, with a wonderful new French hat on, and she had her chin up so high in the air she couldn't see anyone she knew," said Mrs. Knox with a tinge of resentment in her voice, as she began to leave the way to inform her husband that her own old summer awning was looking disgracefully shabby and ready for the church rummage sale. "That's nothing," retorted Mr. Knox boldly, "when a woman gets a new Paris hat it generally goes to her head." Then he suddenly remembered that he had not sprinkled the lawn for several days and decided this was as good a time as any to get at it.

Philosopher and His Cat.

When my cat and I entertain each other with mutual splash tricks as playing with a garter, who knows but that I make my cat more sport than she makes me? Shall I conclude her to be simple that has her time to begin or refuse to play as freely as I myself have? Nay, who knows but that it is a defect of my not understanding her language (for doubtless cats talk and reason with one another) that we agree no better? And who knows but that she pities me for being no wiser than to play with her, and laughs and censures my folly for making sport with her, when we two play together?—Michael de Montaigne.

It Looked That Way.

When Thomas J. Gore, the blind United States senator from Oklahoma, was in Indianapolis to attend the Marshall notification ceremonies he told a story to illustrate a political point he had made. "Old Abe was a negro in Arkansas who had never seen an automobile until he went to the city one day and was nearly struck by the machine as it went speeding down the street at about thirty miles an hour. The old man jumped to the sidewalk and gazed open-mouthed after the car. 'Oh de good Lawd!' ejaculated Uncle Abe, 'dat man's hosses mus' a been golt' some when dey bruk 'way from dat kerrige.'"

Distinction or Difference?

A group of New Yorkers were lounging on the piazza of a nearby shore hotel recently when a young man, wearing exquisite clothes and a vacant stare, passed by on his way to the beach with a young woman on his arm. "You know who that is, I suppose?" remarked one of the party. "Oh, yes," was the reply. "Got a couple of millions, I understand. Just out of college. He was educated at Harvard university, was he not?" "Oh, no," said the first speaker. "He wasn't educated at Harvard. He went to school there."—New York Globe.

New Cure for Nerves.

The latest thing in the way of a cure for women afflicted with nervous troubles is knitting in bed. Berlin physicians are said to have originated the novel remedy. The preoccupation and concentration required for needlework when performed in a sitting posture between pillows and coverings is declared to be working wonders in women afflicted with nerves.—Oss Logie.

Iron and Steel Lead.

Of the more than \$1,000,000,000 worth of manufactures exported from the United States during the year, those of iron and steel aggregated about \$275,000,000 in value; copper and mineral oils, each more than \$122,000,000; and lumber and other manufactures of wood, nearly \$100,000,000.

